

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Craig H. Rowland  
Application No.: 10/685,726  
Filed: October 15, 2003  
Confirmation No.: 5392  
Art Unit: 2131  
Title: *Method and System for Reducing the False Alarm Rate of  
Network Intrusion Detection Systems*

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action mailed January 10, 2007 (the "Office Action"), Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following comments as set forth below.